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By Representatives Rockefeller, Delvin, Grant, Moeller, Hankins, Hinkle, Mastin, Eickmeyer, Orcutt, Wallace, Fromhold, Haigh, Holmquist, McMahan and Woods; by request of Administrative Office of the Courts

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1 AN ACT Relating to superior court judges; amending RCW 2.08.062 and
2 2.08.064; and creating a new section.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 2.08.062 and 1998 c 270 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 There shall be in the county of Chelan four judges of the superior
7 court; in the county of Douglas one judge of the superior court; in the
8 county of Clark (~~eight~~) ten judges of the superior court; in the
9 county of Grays Harbor three judges of the superior court; in the
10 county of Kitsap (~~seven~~) eight judges of the superior court; in the
11 county of Kittitas (~~one~~) two judges of the superior court; in the
12 county of Lewis three judges of the superior court.

13 **Sec. 2.** RCW 2.08.064 and 1997 c 347 s 1 are each amended to read
14 as follows:

15 There shall be in the counties of Benton and Franklin jointly,
16 (~~five~~) six judges of the superior court; in the county of Clallam,
17 two judges of the superior court; in the county of Jefferson, one judge
18 of the superior court; in the county of Snohomish, fifteen judges of

1 the superior court; in the counties of Asotin, Columbia and Garfield
2 jointly, one judge of the superior court; in the county of Cowlitz,
3 four judges of the superior court; in the counties of Klickitat and
4 Skamania jointly, one judge of the superior court.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) The additional judicial positions
6 created by sections 1 and 2 of this act in Clark county, Kitsap county,
7 Kittitas county, and Benton and Franklin counties shall be effective
8 only if each county through its duly constituted legislative authority
9 documents its approval of any additional positions and its agreement
10 that it will pay out of county funds, without reimbursement from the
11 state, the expenses of such additional judicial positions as provided
12 by statute.

13 (2)(a) The additional judicial positions created by section 1 of
14 this act for the county of Clark take effect as follows: One
15 additional judicial position shall be effective no earlier than the
16 second Monday in January 2004, and one additional position shall be
17 effective no earlier than the second Monday in January 2005. The
18 actual starting dates for the positions may be established by the Clark
19 county legislative authority upon request of the superior court and by
20 recommendation of the Clark county executive authority, if any.

21 (b) The additional judicial position created by section 1 of this
22 act for the county of Kitsap shall be effective no earlier than the
23 second Monday in January 2005. The actual starting date for the
24 position may be established by the Kitsap county legislative authority
25 upon request of the superior court and by recommendation of the Kitsap
26 county executive authority, if any.

27 (c) The additional judicial position created by section 1 of this
28 act for the county of Kittitas shall be effective no earlier than the
29 second Monday in January 2004. The actual starting date for the
30 position may be established by the Kittitas county legislative
31 authority upon request of the superior court and by recommendation of
32 the Kittitas county executive authority, if any.

33 (d) The additional judicial position created by section 2 of this
34 act jointly for the counties of Benton and Franklin shall be effective
35 no earlier than July 1, 2003. The actual starting date for the
36 position may be established by the Benton and Franklin county

1 legislative authorities upon request of the superior court and by
2 recommendation of the Benton and Franklin county executive authorities,
3 if any.

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